



US 8 Environmental Impact Statement  
**Turtle Lake Bypass**  
**Alternative Descriptions**  
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Alternatives 1, 2, and 3 are shown with 600-foot wide corridors.

**Alternative 1 – South Bypass 15<sup>th</sup> Street to 3<sup>rd</sup> Street**

Alternative 1 is a four-lane freeway with a grassed median and is a south bypass of Turtle Lake. Total length of Alternative 1 is 6.4 miles. The route connects to existing US 8 approximately one mile west of County T and swings southeasterly to run roughly parallel and one mile south of the existing US 8. The route curves north toward existing US 8 at County K. It then runs parallel and east of existing County KK and reconnects with US 8 just east of 2 1/2 Street.

Access to the freeway segment at the west and east intersections with existing US 8 would be via at-grade intersections. Access within the freeway segment would be limited to two interchanges, one at US 63 south and the other near the existing intersection of County KK and US 8. County K would remain open and run parallel to the freeway on a slightly alignment. Grade separated crossings are proposed at Pine Street and County K. Cul de sacs are proposed at 15<sup>th</sup> Street, 125<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and 2 1/2 Street.

A related improvement that may be proposed as part of Alternative 1 is shown as Alt 63 S. This corridor on new alignment would allow US 63 to bypass the Village of Turtle Lake north of existing US 8. Beginning at the interchange of US 63 south of Turtle Lake, US 63 would run easterly concurrent with the US 8 freeway segment and depart from the freeway at the north interchange. US 63 would then continue on the Alt 63 S route until it matched with existing US 63 north of Turtle Lake.

**Alternative 2 - South Bypass 15<sup>th</sup> Street to 4<sup>th</sup> Street**

Alternative 2, is a four-lane freeway with a grassed median and is another south bypass of Turtle Lake. Total length of Alternative 2 is 7.9 miles. Alternative 2 follows most of the same route as Alternative 1 for the segment beginning at 15<sup>th</sup> Street and continuing to County KK. East of County KK, the route extends northeasterly to connect with existing US 8 at 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

Access to the Alternative 2 freeway segment at the west and east intersections with existing US 8 would be via at-grade intersections at 15<sup>th</sup> Street and 4<sup>th</sup> Street. Access within the freeway segment would be limited to two interchanges, one at US 63 south and the other at County K. A grade separated crossing is proposed at Pine Street. Cul de sacs are proposed at 15<sup>th</sup> Street, 125<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and 3rd Street north of the bypass corridor. A connection between 12 3/4 Avenue and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street would be maintained south of the bypass corridor.

A related improvement that may be proposed as part of Alternative 2 is shown as Alt 63 S. This corridor on new alignment would allow US 63 to bypass the Village of Turtle Lake north of existing US 8. Beginning at the interchange of US 63 south of Turtle Lake, US 63 would run easterly concurrent with the US 8 freeway segment and depart from the freeway at the interchange with existing County K. US 63 would then continue concurrent on County K, cross existing US 8 and continue on the Alt 63 S route until it matched with existing US 63 north of Turtle Lake.

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Alternative 3 is shown with a 600-foot wide corridor.

**Alternative 3 – North Bypass**

Alternative 3 is a four-lane freeway with a grassed median and is a north bypass of Turtle Lake. Total length of Alternative 3 is 4.4 miles. The route connects to existing US 8 at 15<sup>th</sup> Street, heads north for approximately one mile then runs easterly and parallel along the south side of North Branch Beaver Brook. After crossing existing County Line Street, the route heads southeasterly between Hillman Lake and Elbow Lake to connect back with existing US 8 east of Poplar Street.

Access to the Alternative 3 freeway segment is proposed on the west end via an at-grade intersection with existing US 8 just east of 15<sup>th</sup> Street and via an interchange with US 63 approximately one-half mile north of existing US 8. Grade separated crossings are proposed at County T and County Line Street. Cul de sacs are proposed at 135<sup>th</sup> Avenue and east of the US 63 interchange at Poplar Street, 13 1/2 Avenue and at the east terminal point of existing US 8.

**Alternative 4 – Through Town**

Alternative 4 is a four-lane divided urban roadway that follows the existing US 8 route through Turtle Lake. Proposed improvements under Alternative 4 would include a divided roadway with 30-foot raised median, designated left turn lanes and curb and gutter. The alternative would require a 120-foot wide corridor. The total corridor length is 2.7 miles.

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Please review the alternative maps and descriptions and write your comments. Your comments are very important and will help in the selection of a preferred alternative.

**Turtle Lake Alternative 1 - South Bypass 15<sup>th</sup> Street to 3<sup>rd</sup> Street**

Benefits

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Concerns

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Other Comments

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**Turtle Lake Alternative 2 - South Bypass 15<sup>th</sup> Street to 4<sup>th</sup> Street**

Benefits

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Concerns

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Other Comments

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**Turtle Lake Alternative 3 - North Bypass 15<sup>th</sup> Street to Poplar Street**

Benefits

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Other Comments

**Turtle Lake Alternative 4 - Through-town**

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